

EXETER-WEST GREENWICH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Tuesday August 5, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

Business Meeting

Jr. – Sr. High School Library, 930 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI 02817

MEETING MINUTES

The form and content of these minutes conform to commonly accepted standards and shall become the official record of the meeting after review and approval by the School Committee. By definition, minutes are not a verbatim record of the proceedings.

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Convene Meeting

Call to order Chair Cicero, 6:05 PM

Board members present: Teri Cicero, Chairperson; Mark Rafanelli, Vice Chairperson; Valerie Zuercher, Clerk; Lee Kissinger, Claudine Pande, Theresa Donovan, Paul McFadden

Others present: Marie Ahern, Curriculum Director; Robert Ross, Director of Administration

- I. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. **District Mission Statement**
- III. **Open Forum** (15-minute limit)

Dr. Ahern reviewed the consent agenda.

IV. **Routine Items**

Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – *Item Pulled*

B. Personnel Items

1. Appointments – (As Recommended by the Superintendent)

- a. **Sandra Fielding** as 1.0 FTE School Nurse Teacher, Step 3, Degree MA, Annual Salary \$47,897.58; effective August 25, 2014, pending receipt of all mandatory District paperwork
- b. **Mark Murphy** as 0.57 FTE Technology Teacher, (one-year only) Step 1, Degree BA, Annual Salary \$22,141.42; effective August 25, 2014
- c. **Karolyn Labrecque** as 0.5 FTE Reading Teacher, Step 12, Degree MA, Annual Salary \$40,656.72; effective August 25, 2014

- d. **Kristen Hartley** as 0.4 FTE Art Teacher at Wawaloam Elementary School, Step 1, Degree BA, Annual Salary \$15,537.84; effective August 25, 2014, pending receipt of all mandatory District paperwork
- 2. Leaves of Absence
 - a. Letter from **Christina McKiernan** requesting a Leave of Absence from her position as .6 FTE Math Teacher at the Jr. High School, effective for the 2014 – 2015 school year
- 3. Resignations
- 4. Non-Renewals
- 5. Recalls – (modified) – (As Recommended by the Superintendent)
 - a. **Pat Smith** from 0.5 FTE Special Education Teacher at the SHS (1.0 first semester only) to 0.75 FTE Special Education/ELA Teacher at the SHS (1.0 Special Education first semester/0.5 ELA Teacher second semester)
- 6. Sabbaticals
- 7. Contract(s)
- C. Bills – Bills in the amount of \$153,632.11; Accruals in the amount of \$183,032.76
- D. Home School Approvals
 - 1. RETURNING FAMILY – Grade(s) 10 and 8
 - 2. RETURNING FAMILY – Grade(s) 3
 - 3. RETURNING FAMILY – Grade(s) 3
 - 4. RETURNING FAMILY – Grade(s) 6 and 6
 - 5. RETURNING FAMILY – Grade(s) 2

End Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Rafanelli requested to pull the ***Regular Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2014***
 MSV – To accept the Consent Agenda, with the exception of the
 Regular Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2014 – Zuercher/Pande – (7-0) –
 MOTION APPROVED

MSV – To accept the **Regular Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2014** –
 Pande/Donovan – (4-0-3) – MOTION APPROVED as follows:

Cicero	-	AYE
Kissinger	-	AYE
Donovan	-	AYE
Pande	-	AYE
Zuercher	-	Abstain
Rafanelli	-	Abstain
McFadden	-	Abstain

E. **Correspondence – (1) Statewide results of 2013-2014 RIDE 21st Century Skills Assessment (Technology-JHS); (2) Letter to K families regarding Kindergarten Orientation**

F. **2013 – 2014 Budget Projection**

G. **Monthly Subcommittee Report(s)**

1. **Policy Subcommittee**
2. **IT Subcommittee**
3. **Public Relations Subcommittee**

H. **Monthly Status Reports**

1. **Superintendent – (will be provided for the 8/19/14 meeting)**
2. **Curriculum**
3. **Business**
4. **Special Education – (NONE)**
5. **Maintenance**
6. **Technology**

V. **New Business**

A. **Approve One-to-One Technology Initiative Funding**

MSV – To approve [One-to-One Technology Initiative Funding] –
Kissinger/Pande – (7-0) – MOTION APPROVED

VI. **Unfinished Business**

VII. **Reports/Comments**

Member Donovan requested student travel in the personal vehicles of teachers and coaches and the reimbursement for such be put on the next School Committee agenda for discussion purposes.

Member Kissinger requested the Charter language changes that need to go on the November ballot be put on the next School Committee agenda.

VIII. **Important Dates and Meetings** –Tuesday, August 19, 2014 – School Committee Meeting; Monday, August 25, 2014-Wawaloam Back to School Celebration-1:30 to 3:30 PM; Monday, September 8, 2014-Jr. High School Open House-5:00 to 7:00 PM; Wednesday, September 10, 2014-Metcalf School Open House-6:30 to 8:00 PM; Thursday, September 11, 2014-Wawaloam Grades 1 & 2 Open House-5:30 to 7:45 PM; Thursday, September 18, 2014-Wawaloam Kindergarten Open House-Time TBD

IX. **Executive Session – RIGL 42-46-4 and RIGL 42-46-5**

A. **42-46-5 (a)(9) – CBA – Grievance(s)**

- B. 42-46-5 (a)(2) – CBA (C-94/Teachers’ Association)-Negotiation Discussion and/or Pending/Potential Litigation – Legal Advice
- C. 42-46-5 (a)(1) – Personnel
- D. 42-46-5 (a)(3) – Security

X. Disclosure of any votes taken in Executive Session

XI. Adjournment

MSV – To adjourn – Zuercher/Kissinger– (7-0) – MOTION APPROVED

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM

**ROBERT ROSS
DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION**